

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Shigeyuki HARITA, et al.

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SERIAL NO: NEW APPLICATION

EXAMINER:

FILED: HEREWITH

FOR: POLYVINYL ALCOHOL POLYMER FILM AND POLARIZATION FILM

REQUEST FOR PRIORITY

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number 09/842,804, filed April 27, 2001, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.

Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e): Application No. Date Filed

Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>APPLICATION NUMBER</u>	<u>MONTH/DAY/YEAR</u>
Japan	2000-132207	May 1, 2000
Japan	2000-133362	May 2, 2000

Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

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were filed in prior application Serial No. 09/842,804 filed April 27, 2001.

were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number
Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.

(A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and

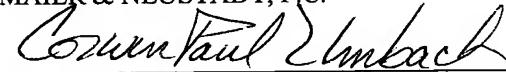
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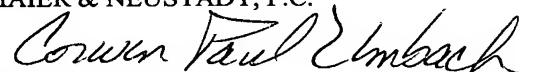
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